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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant:** Thomas Giovinazzi  
**Serial No.:** 10/731,491  
**Filed:** December 10, 2003  
**Mark:** Securing Bracket For A Floor Supported Laundry Appliance  
**Art Unit:** 3632  
**Examiner:** Kimberly T. Wood

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313

Sir:

*Communication of Feb. 23, 2005*

In reply to the Office ~~action of September 20, 2004~~, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Amended) ~~The In combination of a securing bracket and a laundry appliance according to claim 2, wherein~~ floor supported laundry appliance, said securing bracket comprising an angle iron having a base portion and a vertical arm, the base portion of the angle iron being positioned on the floor behind the appliance and in proximity to a pair of rear legs on the appliance, a lag screw extending through a slot is provided in said the vertical arm of said